

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE:

Consider Protest of Issuance of Liquor License at

117 North Sacramento Street

MEETING DATE:

July 6, 1994

PREPARED BY:

Police Chief

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

City Council to determine whether or not to formally protest the issuance of a license to serve beer and wine at 117 N. Sacramento Street.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Lodi Police Department has filed a formal protest against the issuance of an ABC License to the El Grullense Cantina, located at 117 N. Sacramento Street. The

Council needs to decide if the City should allow a conditional use license to be issued at the above location. Some examples of conditions that could be placed on this business are as follows:

- The serving of beer and wine only in conjunction with the serving of meals.
- Limitations placed on the number of hours the establishment 2) may be open for business.
- The requirement of a security guard.

or any other conditions the Council sees fit to initiate. refer to the attached letter to ABC.)

FUNDING: None

Chief of Police

cc: City Attorney

THOMAS A PETERSON City Manager



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June 27, 1994

Mr. Darrell McClaine Alcohol Beverage Control P. O. Box 150 Stockton, CA 95201

Dear Mr. McClaine:

The purpose of this letter is to formally protest the issuance of an ABC license to the owners of El Grullense located at 117 N. Sacramento Street.

A you are aware, I am meeting with the owners and representatives of this business to determine if some sort of conditional license might address our concerns. The primary concern of the Lodi Police Department is that this new business is located in a high crime area that has a disproportionate amount of alcohol related crimes. There have been several businesses in the 00 to 100 Block of North Sacramento Street that have been closed down through the cooperative efforts of the Lodi Police Department and ABC.

The dilemma the City is facing with the issuance of a license to the El Grullense is a concern for an additional alcohol establishment vs. the concern for revitalizing the downtown

In any event, in order to meet the July 1 deadline, please consider this our formal protest to the issuance of a license. It is my understanding that if some sort of compromise can be reached, the City of Lodi can formally withdraw this protest.

Sincerely,

Larry D/ Hansen Chief of Police

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